

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF PROPOSED
TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS
FOR WATERS AND POLLUTANTS OF CONCERN
IN THE STATE OF GEORGIA
August 31, 2018

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that the State of Georgia has proposed Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for fecal coliform for a number of rivers and streams segments in the Coosa and Tallapoosa River Basins.

Section 303(d)(1)(C) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C. 1313(d)(1)(C), and the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency implementing regulation, 40 C.F.R. 130.7(c)(1), require the establishment of TMDLs for waters identified in accordance with Section 303(d)(2)(A) of the CWA. Each TMDL is to be established at a level necessary to implement applicable water quality standards with seasonal variations and a margin of safety. TMDLs are proposed for the following waters:

Coosa River Basin

Blackwood Creek, Headwaters to Oothkalooga Creek – Fecal coliform
Connesena Creek, Sipsey Creek to Etowah River – Fecal coliform
Dry Creek, Little Dry Creek to Coosawattee River – Fecal coliform
Pumpkinvine Creek, CR 231 to Weaver Creek – Fecal coliform
Pumpkinvine Creek, Weaver Creek to Little Pumpkinvine Creek (north of Dallas) – Fecal coliform
Swamp Creek, Stover Creek to Little Swamp Creek – Fecal coliform
Tributary to Ruff Creek, Headwaters to Ruff Creek – Fecal coliform

Tallapoosa River Basin

Little Tallapoosa River, Little Tallapoosa Lake to Sharpe Creek – Fecal coliform

A copy of this notice and a copy of each TMDL may be reviewed during normal business hours 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (except official State holidays or EPD office closures) at the following location: Environmental Protection Division, Watershed Protection Branch, 200 Piedmont Ave. S.W., Suite 418, Atlanta, Georgia 30334, (404) 463-1508.

A single copy of each TMDL is available by written or phone request to the Georgia Environmental Protection Division. Please direct requests to Ms. Arnettia Murphy at the address or phone number given above. If additional copies are requested, a copying charge of 10 cents per page will be assessed. A copy of each TMDL is also available online at: <https://epd.georgia.gov/documents/proposed-tmdl>

Written comments are welcomed. To insure their consideration, written comments should be received on or before 4:00 p.m., November 02, 2018. Written comments should be addressed to: Mr. Jac Capp, Branch Chief, Watershed Protection Branch, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, Suite 1152, Atlanta, Georgia 30334. Comments may be emailed to EPDComments@dnr.ga.gov. If you choose to e-mail your comments, please be sure to include the words “TMDL Comments” somewhere in the subject line to help ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the correct staff.

For technical information contact Dr. Elizabeth Booth, Watershed Planning and Monitoring Program, (404) 463-4929.

After a review of comments, a final decision on each of the proposed revised TMDLs will be made, and the proposed revised TMDL will be submitted to the USEPA for approval.

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of persons whom you believe will be interested in this matter.